

POSTPONES HEARING ON UTILITY RATES

Smaller Cities Affected by Proposed Increase Ask Delay.

The rate hearing of the Indiana and Michigan Electric Co. scheduled for Wednesday morning at the city hall was postponed indefinitely by agreement.

The proposed increase in rates will affect clients in St. Joseph, Elkhart and Marshall counties. It was proposed to have the public service commission fix a new rate scale following the hearing. Many of the smaller cities served by the local company have asked for more time to consider the matter.

Representatives of several of the cities conferred with City Atty. Thomas W. Slick Wednesday in regard to the case.

WEARS LAMP ON CAP; COW KICKS IT; FIRE

By United Press.
KIRKSVILLE, Mo., Dec. 22.—Ed Epperson hit on the plan of wearing a miner's lamp on his cap when he went out to milk his cows before daylight. The first cow he approached kicked him. He landed in a hay stack. His lamp set fire to the hay and the stack was destroyed. Epperson and the cow were saved.

TWENTY EXTRA CLERKS FOR CHRISTMAS MAIL

There will be no congestion of holiday mail at the South Bend postoffice, according to local postal officials who declared Wednesday that sufficient additional help had been secured to handle the Christmas mail. Twenty extra men have been hired to facilitate the speedy disposal of the 25 per cent increase over the amount of mail handled last year at this time.

German Colony Growth Frets Dutch at Doorn

DOORN, Holland, Dec. 21.—The constantly growing German colony here, where former Emperor William resided, is causing uneasiness among the inhabitants, for a great number of the members of the German aristocracy are buying up old Dutch aristocratic papers "A branch office of Potsdam."

Some weeks ago William ordered Margarita Kokgy, a German artist living in Doorn to paint scenes in the park and his residence.

URGE COURSE IN FLYING AT PURDUE

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Dec. 21.—Establishment of a course in ground aviation at Purdue university will be urged by the Purdue Aero club. Efforts are also being made by the club to become affiliated with the Aero club of America.

TO ORGANIZE FOR EUROPEAN RELIEF

Mrs. Thad Talcott, Jr. is Appointed Head of St. Joseph County Unit.

Mrs. Thad Talcott, Jr., accepted from Caleb S. Denny, state chairman, of the European Relief council, of which Herbert Hoover is national chairman, an appointment as head of the St. Joseph county branch of the organization. Mrs. Talcott who has taken a prominent part in war and humanitarian work, has volunteered her services as one of Mr. Hoover's aids to raise the \$33,000,000 needed to feed the starving children of central Europe to the next harvest, when Mr. Hoover believes all of the war-torn countries will be able to care for their own. American aid has been definitely withdrawn from Roumania and Serbia, which are now able to feed their own children.

Barber Shops Closed Christmas and New Year's Day.
All barber shops will be closed all day Dec. 25th, Christmas day, and all day Jan. 1st, New Year's day. Open until 10 p. m. on nights previous.

Just received a shipment of Point Lace canned goods, fruits and vegetables. Miller and Curry, 419 S. Michigan st., Lincoln 5992, Main 939. 9619-23

"Y" MEMBERSHIPS TO BE CHRISTMAS GIFTS OF 40 BOYS

Forty memberships to the Boy's department of the Y. M. C. A. have been sold this week and will be presented as Christmas presents to youths in the city, according to C. W. Goodwin, city-wide secretary for the junior department.

Principals Choose Text Books for Next Semester

Principal J. A. Byers of the junior high school, spoke on the "Needs of the Schools" at the principals' meeting Wednesday morning. Standardized tests will be given the week of Jan. 24 in all the schools according to an announcement by Supt. Borden. The book list to be used during the second semester was selected and reports on the attendance at the city institute were read.

"YES, SIR!"
The Salvation Army knows every worthy family in South Bend and desires to bring Xmas joy to each family. Would you like to spread joy? Just phone Main 1392 or send your donation to 214 S. St. Peter st. or bring your gifts to 107 W. Colfax. Merry Xmas to all. 9569-23

Fine Xmas candy, 15c pound. Entrance to Auditorium theater. Also nuts and oranges at right prices. Curb Stone Merchants. 8622-23. 9619-23

ARRANGES GROUP TEACHERS' SESSIONS

Supt. of Schools W. W. Borden has arranged for group teachers' meetings the second semester of the school year. Problems which are of interest to each group will be discussed at the meetings which will be held once a month.

Miss Mary Sullivan has been appointed chairman and Miss Florence Beard, secretary of the first and second grade group. Miss Bertha Linden has been made chairman and Lela Geyer, secretary of the third and fourth grade group. For the fifth and sixth grades, Miss Carrie M. Tally will be chairman and Miss Florence Mack, secretary. Program committees have been appointed by Supt. Borden to make the meetings interesting.

BLUE BIRD SHOP.
123 N. MAIN ST.
Open every evening until Christmas. Phonograph records, 10-inch, double faced, can be played on any machine, \$1.00 and \$1.25 records. Your choice 50c each, 3 for \$1.25. 9567-1f.

Diamond dealers don't like to pass an opinion on gems when the day is damp. It is a fact that weather has a great effect on precious stones. Murky weather will spoil the appearance of a diamond, but a really nasty, foggy day will make even the purest stone seem imperfect.

Any part of 100 phonograph boxes for sale, 50c each. Blue Bird shop, 123 N. Main st. 9569-23



We're ready for the climax

As we are about to draw the curtain on our great holiday business, the replenished condition of our stock gives one practically the same unlimited choice as heretofore. We urge late gift seekers for men, young men and boys to shop as early in the morning as possible.

NECKWEAR

Holiday Special, \$1 to \$1.50.
Hand-made Cravats, \$2 to \$3.50.
Fancy Knits, \$1 to \$4.
Bat Ties, 50c to \$1.

SHIRTS

Fine Silk Shirts, \$7 to \$8.50.
Silk and Linen Shirts, \$5 and \$6.50.
Madras and Oxford Cords, \$3 to \$5.
Flannel Shirts, \$2.50 to \$8.50.
Dress Shirts, \$1.50 to \$3.50.

HANDKERCHIEFS

Fancy Silks, 50c to \$1.50.
Pure Irish Linen, fine ones at 75c, \$1, \$1.50.
Initialed Handkerchiefs, 25c to 50c.

GLOVES

Street Gloves, \$2.50 to \$6.
Cape and Mocha, \$3.50 to \$6.
Dress Gloves, \$2.50 to \$5.
Wool Gloves, \$1 to \$3.
Driving Gloves, \$2.50 to \$10.

HOSIERY

Silk Socks, Japan thread, \$1.
Phoenix Silk Hose, 75c to \$2.
Cashmere, Silk and Wool, 65c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50.

HOUSE COATS

Plain, two tones, plaid backs, \$8 to \$15.
Woolen, Silk, and Velvet Gowns, \$18 to \$50.
Bath Robes, \$6 to \$15.

JEWELRY

Gold Cuff Links, \$2 to \$5.
Enameled Cuff Links, 50c to \$2.
Scarf Pins, 50c to \$2.50.
Soft Collar Pins, 25c, 50c.
Belt Buckles, \$1 to \$3.

SWEATERS

Heavy Shaker Knit, \$10 to \$16.
Pure Worsted, light weight, \$7.50 to \$10.
Slip-overs, \$8 to \$15.

If he's a boy—

Hart Schaffner & Marx Suits and Overcoats, \$23.50 to \$32.50.
Two knicker Suits, \$9.50 to \$17.50.
Boys' Mackinaws, \$6.50 to \$15.
Boys' all-wool Jerseys, \$4.
Stylish Caps, \$1.50 to \$3.
Boys' Pajamas, \$1.50 to \$2.50.

Boys' Neckwear, 50c up.
Bath Robes, \$1.75 to \$6.
Boys' Hosiery, 40c to 65c.
Boys' Wool Hose, \$2, \$2.25.
Windsor Ties, 50c to \$1.
Hockey Caps, 75c to \$1.75.
Sweaters, \$4 to \$10.

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Handy Telephone Stands \$10.80

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Mahogany Smoker Stands \$1 up

The question of "What to Give"—

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Fourth—your furniture gift will not "fade" or go "out of style."
Fifth—it will bring comfort in addition to pleasure.
Sixth—although the gift belongs to the recipient, all members of the family can enjoy it.
Seventh—it usually fills a want or a need of the one who is to receive it. It adds to the attractiveness and beauty of the home.

And so we could go on enumerating reasons. Give the question the serious thought it deserves, for you do wish to give something sensible, practical and useful. We are sure of that.

Only a few days left. Welcome to look through. Stay as long as you like. Pay next year if you wish to.

A. Heller

HELLER'S The Furniture Store of South Bend

Pullman Bed Davenports \$79 up

Pleasing Spinet Desks \$60 up

Oak or Mahogany Writing Desks \$20 up

Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet \$51 up

Massive Library Tables \$18 up

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